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PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**PATENT APPLICATION**Inventor: **ZANDBERGEN, Hendrik W.**International Application No.: **PCT/NL03/00467**International Filing Date: **24 June 2003**Priority Date Claimed: **25 June 2002**Serial No.: **10/519,293** Filed: **23 December 2004**Atty. Doc.: **Tech-20 (P60723US00)** Confirmation No.: **9180**Title: **SPECIMEN HOLDER FOR AN ELECTRON MICROSCOPE, AND  
METHOD FOR REDUCING THERMAL DRIFT IN A MICROSCOPE**

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**European Published Patent Application**Publication No.Date Published

AA. 0 538 861

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**German Published Patent Application**

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**Published Japanese Patent Abstract**

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**REMARKS**

Under rule 37 C.F.R. 1.98(a) (effective March 16, 1992), since Reference AA is in the English language, the Applicant submits that no specific comments are necessary.

No English-language abstract is available for Reference AB. However, the International Search Report classified this reference as "A", i.e., being background technological material of no particular relevance.

An English-language abstract has been supplied for Reference AC.

For the Examiner's convenience, the Applicant has attached a completed form PTO/SB/08A hereto.

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